

Mark East

April 20, 1943 - September 12, 2021

Celebration of Life
Mark East

Thursday, September 16, 2021 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Hamshire, Texas

Reverend Bruce Stinson

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot” by Josh Turner

“I’m a Lonesome Fugitive” by Merle Haggard

Obituary Reverend Cody East

Family Remarks Alexia King
Mary East

“Without Him” by Josh Turner

Message

“That’s My Job” by Conway Twitty

Dismissal



Mark Ellis East, 78, of Hamshire, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, September 12, 2021. He was born on April 20, 1943, in Port Arthur, to Margarete (Auls) East and Ellis East.

Mark spent his childhood in Fannett and started working in the rice fields at a very young age. He graduated from Hamshire-Fannett High School where he met the love of his life, Pamela Jean Hopson. After serving time in the Navy, he returned home and married Pam and they remained married for over 55 years. The newlyweds moved to Baytown, Texas where Mark supported he and his new wife, by working

in the oil field and ship yards. Before starting their family, Mark and Pam moved back to Hamshire and he worked as an industrial welder. After years of marriage, they welcomed their first child, Justin and within two years, Alexia completed their family. Mark and Pam raised their children in a home that Mark mostly built by hand and where they call home still to this day.

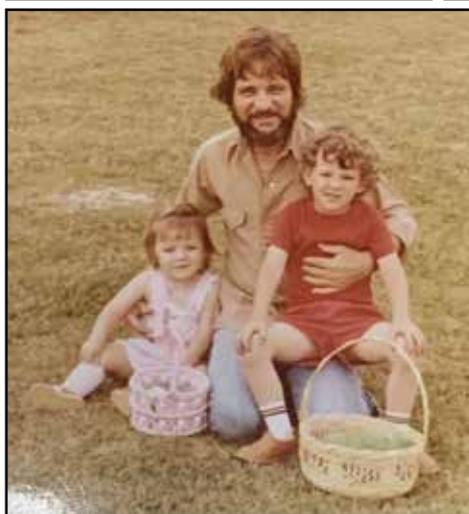
If you ever saw Mark, you saw a smile. He was smiling constantly. Mark was the definition of patient. He was loving, giving and very thoughtful. He was a wonderful cook and loved having family and friends stop by at any time to drink coffee or eat what he had on the stove. He especially loved preparing gumbo for his precious granddaughter, Eva. You'd usually find Mark, sitting in his wheelchair at the kitchen island drinking green tea and watching Fox News. He loved to wait on everyone, especially his darling, Pam.

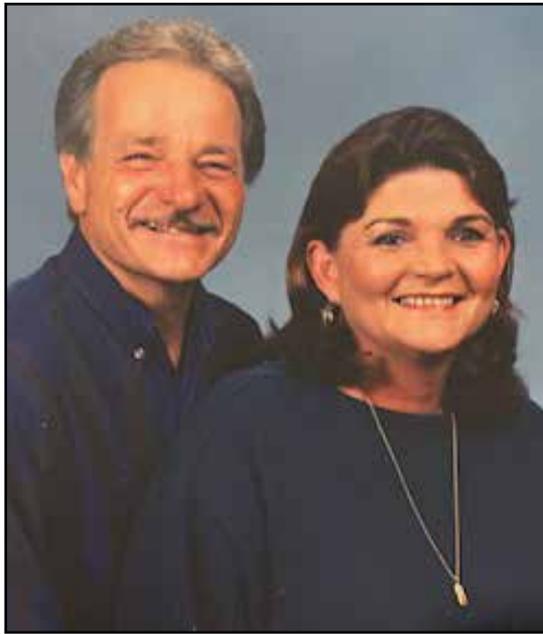
Mark was the definition of a handyman. Justin grew up spending many hours with his dad working on cars, lawnmowers, houses, you name it, he could fix it and his legacy lives on in his son and grandsons. Children brought him tremendous joy but nothing like his grandchildren. Mark loved his title as "Paw Paw Mark."

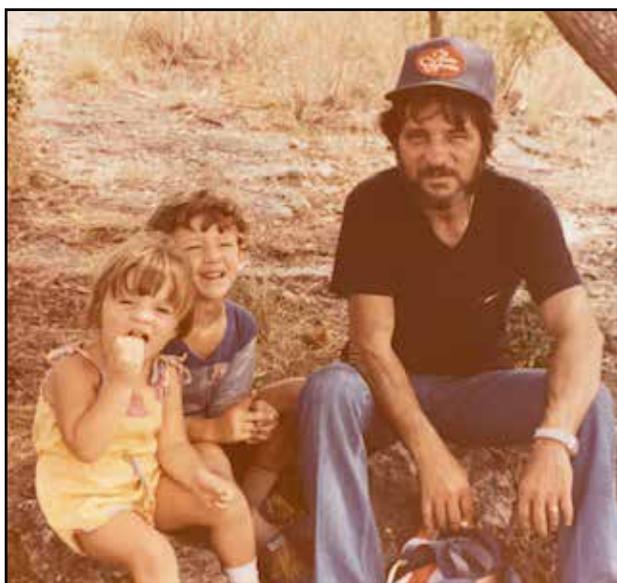
Mark's faithfulness was indescribable. You could see Jesus in his eyes. He devoted many hours at his kitchen table where he studied his Bible. He would talk about Jesus at any and every opportunity given and loved his church family.

Survivors include his wife of fifty-five years, Pam (Hopson) East; son, Justin East and his wife, Mary; daughter, Alexia (East) King and her husband, Kevin; grandchildren, Ethan and Eva East; Carson Lafitte, Mason, Morgan, and Camden King, as well as many dearly loved sister and brother-in-laws and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mark is preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, David East, James East, and Thomas East.

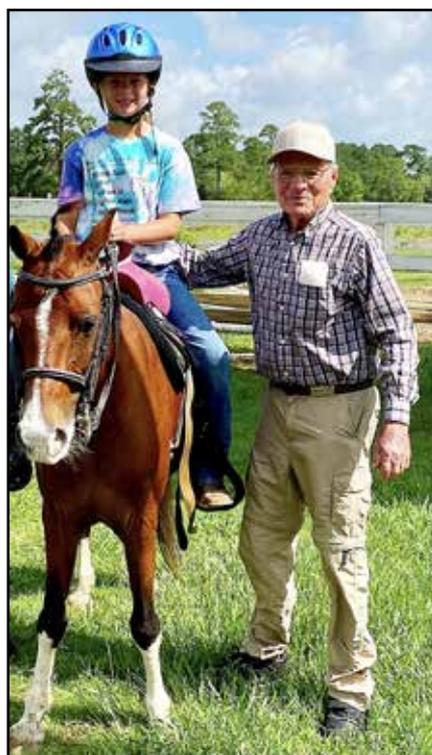
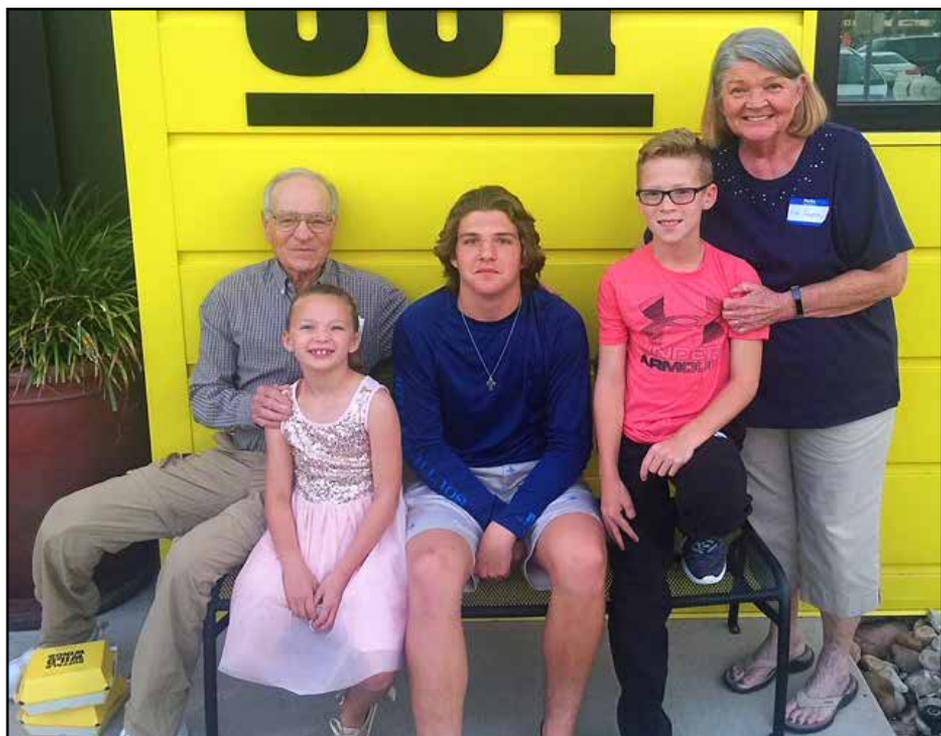
















“On the contrary: If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

Romans 12:20-21

Pallbearers
Carson Lafitte
Ethan East
John Hopson
Hagan Daigle
Reverend Cody East
Eric Day

The family will gather for his interment at a later time.
Hopson Family Cemetery
Hamshire, Texas

Military Honors
United States Navy
Southeast Texas Veterans Service Group

Memorial Contributions
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